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TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS: SENV, CA

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION (IBC)

1. DURING HIS FY 1978 BUDGET TESTIMONY, THE U.S. COMMISSIONER, RICHARD HERMAN, MADE REFERENCE TO SUGGESTIONS REPORTEDLY ADVANCED BY THE CANADIAN COMMISSIONER, MR. MCEWEN, THAT THE IBC BE ABSORBED BY THE INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION. HERMAN TOLD THE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE THAT MCEWEN'S SUGGESTION REPRESENTED THE VIEW OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT AND THAT THE TWO COMMISSIONERS WERE IN THE PROCESS OF "WORKING OUT THE DETAILS".

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL IN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (OR ENVIRONMENT CANADA) TO ASCERTAIN THE DETAILS OF MCEWEN'S PROPOSAL AND DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH HIS VIEWS REPRESENT THOSE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA.

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3. EMBASSY MAY INDICATE THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS WILLING TO EXAMINE SUCH A SUGGESTION ALTHOUGH IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE COST SAVINGS TO BE EFFECTED BY SUCH AN AMALGAMATION

TION MAY BE SMALL. SUCH AN AMALGAMATION, IN OUR VIEW,  
REQUIRE AMENDMENT/REPLACEMENT OF THE GOVERNING 1908 AND 1925  
BOUNDARY TREATIES.  
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